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REPRESENTATIVE URBAN TO ADDRESS WOMEN'S LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE



On Monday, May 8, State Representative Diana Urban, R-North Stonington, will address a regional conference of female state and national legislators and public officials. The "Southern Women in Public Service: Coming Together to Make a Difference Conference" will be held in Nashville, Tenn.

The event is hosted by the Stennis Center for Public Service, a federal, legislative branch agency created by Congress in 1988 to promote and strengthen public service leadership. Rep. Urban will address the conference on making difficult choices wisely, specifically regarding use of taxpayer dollars.

For several years, Rep. Urban has served as one of the Legislature's leading proponents of results-based budgeting.

"I am really looking forward to bringing my message about focusing on results in the budgeting process to this conference," said Rep. Urban. "It is amazing what can be achieved when we change the budgeting process from looking at how much we are spending to looking at what we are actually getting for our money. This kind of transparency leads to accountability and behavior changes. It is a great honor to join women leaders from across the country in discussing how we can make a difference for the people of our country."

The conference is designed to promote women in public service leadership in the South and improve the quality and character of government by tapping the talents of women currently serving in leadership positions. Former speakers before the conference include U.S. Senators Elizabeth Dole, R-North Carolina, and Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-New York, and former First Lady Rosalynn Carter.